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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP NO. 2611

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Douglas M. Dillon
Application No.: 08/838,242
Filed: April 16, 1997
For: Satellite Broadcasting System Employing
Channel Switching

: Group Art Unit: 2611
: Examiner: R. Brown

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection and a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 of John T. Whelan in the above-identified application.

- A Petition for Extension of time is attached hereto. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.
- An extension for _____ month(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee for the total months of extension now requested.
- Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- The fee for claims is calculated below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING		PRESENT	ADDITIONAL FEE	
	AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA	RATE
TOTAL CLAIMS	57 minus	74 =	0 x	\$ 18.00	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT	8 minus	6 =	2 x	\$ 84.00	\$168.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS				\$ 280.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:				<u>\$168.00</u>	

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Charge \$168.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,



John T. Whelan 64-02-03

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